

Supervisor Romaine and Councilwoman Kept Celebrate Opening of the Meadows at Yaphank

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Farmingville, NY - On June 25, Supervisor Ed Romaine and Councilwoman Connie Kept celebrated the official opening for Phase One of the Meadows at Yaphank... Built by AVR Homebuilders, the mixed use community is located on William Floyd Parkway, just north of the Long Island Expressway. It is located on 322 acres and when fully completed will include 850 housing units, a 120 room hotel and 327,000 square feet of retail space. It is a project which will create 811 full time construction jobs and 2,681 permanent, full time equivalent positions creating an overall economic impact of more than \$351 million.

Most of the project is being built on previously cleared and disturbed land and 35% or more of the overall site will be retained as natural open space. All construction on the site will utilize, where possible, energy efficient and water conserving measures. AVR Homebuilders was one of only two residential developers in the nation to be honored by the EPA as a 2012 Energy Star Partner of the Year - New Home Builder.

"The Meadows at Yaphank is a transformative project with widespread regional impact," said Supervisor Romaine. "It's a model walkable community that will create thousands of jobs and provide homes for new residents in a convenient location near major roadways. I thank everyone who had a hand in moving this project forward."

Councilwoman Kept said, "AVR is a great mixed use project that includes apartments, senior units, office space, restaurants, and retail. It is the type of mixed use project that we should be moving forward throughout the town."

Pictured left to right are Chief Executive Officer of the Long Island Builders Institute Mitch Pally, Deputy Suffolk County Executive of Economic Development Joanne Minieri, Councilwoman Connie Kept, Supervisor Ed Romaine, Breslin Realty Development Corp. President Wilbur Breslin, AVR Realty Owner and Chief Executive Officer Allan Rose, Suffolk County Executive Steve Bellone, Governor Cuomo's Regional Liaison Scott Martella, Brookhaven Town Planning Commissioner Tullio Bertoli, Longwood Central School District Board of Education President Daniel Tomaszewski and Long Island Housing Partnership President and CEO Peter Elkowitz.

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